

# Executive Proclamation

## State of South Dakota

### Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Leroy J. Merragh spent his entire career in developing the water resources of the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, After receiving his engineering degree from South Dakota State University in 1941, and serving four years and eight months in the United States Air Force, Leroy started a career with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, in 1945; and

WHEREAS, After retiring from the Soil Conservation Service, he started working for the Division of Water Rights on January 26, 1976; and

WHEREAS, Leroy was instrumental in the completion of investigations for many water right filings, location notices and water permits throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, It was through his dedicated service that a large number of water rights were inspected and licensed; and

WHEREAS, After 12 years of dedicated service to the Division of Water Rights and having reached the age of 69, Leroy is retiring from employment with Water Rights on April 1, 1988; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of Leroy's achievements in water resource development;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. NICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 1, 1988, as

LEROY J. MERRAGH DAY

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

GEORGE S. NICKELSON, GOVERNOR